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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the corresponding paragraph on page 1 beginning at line 25 with the following amended paragraph:

Bar code dataforms come in a variety of different formats including one and two dimensional bar codes, matrix codes and graphic codes, as well as words and numbers and other symbols, which may be printed or etched on paper, plastic cards and metallic and other items. For example, a one dimensional bar code dataform typically consists of a series of parallel light and dark rectangular areas of varying widths. The light areas are often referred to as "[[Aspaces@]]" "spaces" and the dark areas as "[[Abars.@]]" "bars." Different widths of bars and spaces define different characters in a particular bar code dataform.

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Please replace the corresponding paragraph on page 6 beginning at line 8 with the following amended paragraph:

An imaging assembly [[46]]49 is mounted in the upper housing portion 14 for imaging the target object 36 having a two-dimensional imaging target area 48 located above a one-dimensional target area 50. The imaging target areas 48 and 50 define the field of view of the imaging assembly [[46]]49, with the axis 32 intersecting the imaging target area near its center. The image (*e.g.*, reflected light) of the target object 36 is received by the imaging assembly through the aperture 34. The imaging assembly [[46]]49 includes a photosensor circuit board 51 having a photosensor array 52 and other circuitry to facilitate the image collection process. The imaging assembly [[46]]49 also includes at least one reflector 54 for receiving the image of the target object 36 and redirecting the received image onto the photosensor array 52. The reflector 54 may direct the both the two-dimensional imaging target area 48 and the one-dimensional target area 50 to different portions of the photosensor array 52. Alternatively, the reflector 54 may be movable to direct one of the portions to the photosensor array 52 prior to directing the other portion. It is to be appreciated that a variety of different methodologies may be employed to direct and decode the image of the target object 36.

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Please replace the corresponding paragraph on page 11 with the following amended paragraph:

What has been described above are certain aspects of the present invention. It is, of course, not possible to describe every conceivable combination of components or methodologies for purposes of describing the present invention, but one of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that many further combinations and permutations of the present invention are possible. Accordingly, the present invention is intended to embrace all such alterations, modifications and variations that fall within the spirit and scope of the appended claims. Furthermore, to the extent that the term [[Aincludes@]]"includes" is used in either the detailed description and the claims, such term is intended to be inclusive in a manner similar to the term [[Acomprising.@]]"comprising."